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PUBLICATION OF HEALTH REPORTS SUPPRESSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

This Action taken by Health Board At Its Meeting Last Night

PHYSICIANS FAVOR THE BAN

At a special meeting of the Board Health, held Wednesday evening the borough building, the follow- motion, which was regularly ade and seconded, prevailed and was read upon the minutes.—

That publication of health reports suppressed until further notice.

It was also directed by the Board Health, by motion regularly ade and seconded, that, so far as quarantine is concerned, the bor- gh remain as it is until further no- e.

At this meeting of the Board three embers Messrs. Evans, O'Neil and urphy were present. Quite a num- r of citizens were also present who ere interested spectators to all that ook place.

The minutes of the previous meet- g were read and approved, after hich the report of the health officer as made, which showed that there as an increase of 221 cases since st meeting. Total deaths to date in e borough 27, showing both an crease in cases and deaths.

Two clubs, one the Lithuanian at 03 Meadow avenue, and the Rus- n Political club of 1111 Meadow enue, were ordered closed until rther notice, this action being tak- on account of the bad sanitary onditions of the rooms occupied by ese organizations.

Remarks were invited by the Board nd a number of addresses were ade on matters pertaining to health onditions in the borough.

Opinions from the physicians of harleroi were also invited and they re recorded on the minutes of the eeting as follows:

Dr. Hill—Of the opinian that he ban should not have been lifted.

Dr. Smith—Thinks the ban ought o be on at least another week.

Dr. Hunter—Is in favor of closing.

Dr. McKay—Thought the best hing to do was to close.

Dr. Enos—Thinks the ban was lift- d too soon and does not see any ad- antage in closing now.

Dr. Barth—Is in favor of closing.

Dr. Furman—Thinks everything hould be closed.

Dr. Sloan—Do not close—quaran- ine homes.

Dr. Stahlman—Thinks everything hould be closed.

This concluded the business of the eeting as shown by the minutes and he Board adjourned to meet next aturday evening at 7 o'clock at the orough building.

In the meantime, owing to the ban ced on publication of health re- s, the Mail may have some trouble securing the returns of new cases eported in town, but will make every effort to get them, that the people of the community may be informed of the progress of the malady in the borough.

Returns received from the most reliable sources up until noon today, 54 cases of influenza had been reported with others to come in. From these reports it looks as if the average number of new cases for Tuesday and Wednesday was over 30 for each day.

QUARANTINE AGAIN PLACED IN UNIONTOWN

The influenza cases have increased so rapidly in Uniontown during the past few days that the health board at a session held on Tuesday, decided to place the ban on all places where crowds congregated. As a consequence the town has again been closed until health conditions are considerable better than they areat the presenttime.

SECOND ST. HOUSE DAMAGED BY FIRE

Fire this morning at 8:30 o'clock did considerable damage to the home of A. B. Slaughter, Second street, and Long alley. The fire started in the basement and made its way to the attic inside the plastering. When the fire department arrived on the scene they found the attic and the roof blazing and beforethe flames were subdued a great deal of damage was done. A portion of the roof was completely destroyed, while a great deal of the wood work in the attic was also damaged. The house was well drenched with water but the greater portion of the furniture had been removed without being damaged. A family named McCracken occupying the second floor had some of their furniture damaged.

A SMALL BLAZE ON MEADOW AVENUE

The fire department was summoned at 11 o'clock last night to the home of Dr. Stahlman at 611 Meadow avenue, where a small blaze threatened to become serious. A new furnace installed recently is believed to have been the cause of the fire. Thebase from under a hearthstone was burned out, but no other damage done.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bradshaw of Fallowfield avenue have received word that their son Bert Bradshaw who was wounded in action has been discharged from the hospital and returned to duty.

A Xmas watch adds happiness to every hour of the New Year all styles and prices at I Birken's, 522 McKean avenue. 144-t3-*

Santa Claus is strictly up to date; so is the line of jewelry at our store. I Birken. 144-t3-*

Hon. John K. Tener Will Present Hospital

Dedication of the B. P. O Elks Reconstruction Hospital, near Boston, Mass., the first great hospital to be built in the United States for the reconstruction of maimed and disfigured American soldiers and sailors, will be held Saturday afternoon, Nov. 16, at 2 o'clock, on Parker Hill, near the Robert Brigham Hospital.

The hospital, which is one of a series being erected by the Elks from the fund of $1,000,000 raised by the various lodges throughout the country, is already in use, as more than a dozen wounded soldiers from the war fields of France are now housed in one of its wards, and scores more are expected within the next few weeks.

Secretary of War Baker has been invited to the dedication to accept the formal presentation of the hospital from the grand exalted ruler of the Elks, Bruce A. Campbell of East St. Louis, Ill., to whom, in the course of the ceremonies, it will be turned over by John K. Tener, chairman of the Elks' War relief commission. Gov. McCall and Mayor Peters will be guests. Many citizens in the civic, business and professional life of the city and hundreds of Elks from this city and nearby cities will attend. Grand exalted ruler Campbell has called many of the grand lodge committees to meet in Boston at that time. There will bemeetings of committees of the judiciary, credentials state associations, auditing, big brothers and good of the order. The Elks' War relief commission, which had charge of financing the achievement, will be special guests. The members, John K. Tener, Charleroi, Pa., Joseph T. Fanning, New York; Jerome B. Fisher, Jamestown, N. Y.; James R. Nicholson, Boston; Edward Richter, New Orleans; and Fred Harper, Lynchburg, Va., former grand exalted ruler.

REGULATIONS FOR EMERGENCY HOSPITAL

Major McKay of the United States Medical Corps, who is in charge of the emergency hospital during his relief from camp duties has announced the following rules for that institution, which are now in force:

Hospital Rules.

1. All beds will be cubicled.
2. All cases will be masked before entering ward.
3. All nurses and attendants will wash hands twice daily and should wear masks.
4. Visiting hours, 2 to 4 p. m.
5. Notify family promptly in case of serious illness.
6. Only cases of influenza and pneumonia will be admitted to hospital.
7. No cases will be admitted except upon notification of physician in charge of case.
8. Physician will notify hospital if it is his intention to follow up and treat case in hospital.
9. Physicians sending cases to hospital should make a tentative diagnosis, at least, in such cases.
10. A patient whose temperature has been normal for 48 hours will be discharged from the hospital, providing no other symptoms are present.
11. All valuables belonging to patients will be taken care of at office, Secretary giving her receipt for same
12. Patients' clothing will be tied securely in separate bundles and marked with patients name and address.

WANTED

TWO MODERN HOUSES. Six rooms or one large house suitable for two families, preferably on Washington, Lincoln or Crest Avenue between Second and Sixth street. For use of chief executives of Hussey-Binns Steel Company. Write or phone Mr. Lock or Mr. Coyle, Hussey-Binn Steel Co. 141-T3

ARE ASKED TO REMEMBER DEAD

Governor Brumbaugh's Thanksgiving proclamation, issued on Wednesday, rejoices that the end of the war is at hand, and calls upon the people of Pennsylvania to prepare for the home coming of the soldiers and to observe Thanksgiving Day with unusual solemnity. The Governor designates Thursday, the 28th inst., the sameday appointed by President Wilson, as the time for this annual custom. In part he says:

"Soon our boys will come marching home, in honor and in victory. How glad will be our welcome. With bands and banners, with tears and cheers, we shall welcome them home. Let us not forget the heroic sons of Pennsylvania who will not come marching home. They have given the full measure of devotion to our country and our civilization. Let us not forget the superb sacrifices of the women of this commonwealth, who, with fine spirit of service, gave their parting blessing, who would gladly give them their heartiest welcome. They now sit in silent sorrow by lonely hearthstones."

Elgin watches from $15.00 and up you can pay us on pay day. I. Birken. 522 McKean avenue, Charleroi, Pa. 144-t3-*

Christmas Good Cheer.

Lasting remembrances of this joyous day may be found in our stock. I Birken, 522 McKean avenue. 144-t3-*

The Euchre to be held in St. Jerome's Lyceum Thursday evening of this week has been postponed. 145-t2-*

WANTED

Girl to clean office. Apply at Crowley's undertaking office, 325 McKean avenue. *144 tf

FIGURES SHOW THE COST OF CRIMINALS TO WASHINGTON CO.

Taxpayers Pay Out Over $55,000 To Various Penal Institutions

TO ESTABLISH INDUSTRIAL FARM

The trustees of the proposed County Industrial Farm for this district have concluded the compilation of some interesting statistics concerning the criminals under the care of the various institutions.

The district is composed of Bedford, Cambria, Clearfield, Fayette, Greene, Indiana, Somerset, Washington and Westmoreland counties, and was constituted by the last legislature for the purpose of building a county industrial farm, workhouse and reformatory to relieve the congested condition of the other institutions in these counties and to devise a practical plan for working the prisoners and making the institution self-sustaining.

The statistics compiled reveal the fact that 1783 prisoners are now confined in the various penal institutions at a cost to the taxpayers of $55,110.77 a year. This data was based on the maintenance cost of 1917, since when all of the institutions have advanced the weekly cost of maintenance and the taxpayers' bill for the current year will be close to $400,000.

It is not probable that all of these prisoners could be transferred to the proposed institution, but considering the fact that at the present time every penal institution has about one-half its ordinary population by reason of the industrial activity as well as war service, it is believed that the proposed institution must have a capacity of 1500.

In addition to the 1783 prisoners confined to these institutions, these same counties have 1027 children under the care of their juvenile courts and 964 convicted criminals undergoing parole. It is quite likely that with the establishment of the proposed industrial farm, some of these juvenile court charges and some of the paroled prisoners could be cared for better at the institution than under the present methods.

The trustees have had 13 sites offered them and will meet shortly to make a final selection of the location of the proposed institution.

Washington county has 37 inmates in the workhouse, paying $5,363.28 for their maintenance; 98 in the penitentiary, costing $21,141.01; 106 in Morganza, costing $17,273.77; 24 in Huntingdom, costing $2,425.53; 57 in county jail, costing $9,968.77; nine in other institutions, costing $614.08. Total cost of maintenance of inmates in penal institutions, $55,886.44.

In the nine counties interested in the county industrial farm project, Washington county stands fourth in the total amount paid out for the

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McDONALD AGAIN PUTS ON THE BAN

McDonald health authorities have again placed the ban on schools, churches and moving picture houses, and restrictions have been placed on ice cream parlors and saloons. There is an epidemic of the influenza in the town and the health board deemed it best to take every precaution to prevent a further spread of the disease.

ELECTION OFFICERS APPEAR IN COURT

The judge of election of the board in the Second precinct of Forward township, Allegheny county, where no votes were cast in the recent election, could not appear in court in Pittsburg on Wednesday to explain the failure to open the polls, because he was attending a funeral. Two inspectors appeared before Judge Swearingen and Judge Carnahan, in response to the court's order.

One of the inspectors, although elected, said he never qualified, and was not given a certificate of election, while the other inspector said he could not hold the election himself, being unable to secure members to sit on the board. No action was taken by the court and it is unlikely there will be any.

"FLU" CUTS DOWN COAL PRODUCTION

The continued prevalenceof the influenza in many of the mining sections in the upper Monongahela valley is affecting the output of the river mines. As a consequence the tonnage of many of these industries has been considerably lessened a feature which is being reflected in the shipments of coal to Pittsburg and immediate vicinity. However, with lessened production, the Carnegie Steel Company is making every effort to keep the big by-product plant at Clairton in continuous operation.

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Charleroi, Pa.

The United Cigar Store Prices

The new war tax will go on Cigars and Tobaccos this month, and now is the time to buy for Christmas

Cigarets.		Cigars, Box of 25	
Camels per carton	$1.38	La Prefeneia	$2.38
Lucky Strike Carton	1.28	General Braddock	$1.25
Fatimas, Carton	$1.22	Orlandos	$2.50
Helmars, Carton	$1.50	Prince George	$1.25
Lord Salsbury, Carton	$1.30	Lady Churchill	$1.50
Maguls, Carton	$2.00	Benefactors	$1.75
Murads, Carton	$2.00		
Piedmonts, Carton	$1.44	Cigars Box of 50	
		El Verso	$6.00
Tobaccos.		La Prefenaia	$4.75
Prince Albert, lb tin	$1.30	Ricoro Cerena	$5.00
Prince Albert, lb jar	$1.45	Ricoro Sartogas	$4.00
Turredo, lb tin	$1.30	John Ruskin	$2.75
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KITCHIN'S ABDICATION

The good news brought with the ending of the war has not ceased with the signing of the armistice and the abdication of the Kaiser. It is coming nearer home, and the most significant announcement in domestic politics is the statement that Claude Kitchin, the Democratic leader of the House of Representatives, is to abdicate in favor of Champ Clark. That is to say that in the next Congress the member from Scotland Neck, North Carolina, will cease to lead and will permit the present Speaker to represent the views of the minority. It is sensible decision and one in which the country will heartily concur. The only pity is that he did not resign long ago. If he had we would have been spared many things that we would like to forget. He has been a distinct failure as a leader and this not only in the eyes of Republicans, but of all sensible people. He has been a clog on the wheels of progress and because of this has really handicapped the management and the progress of the war.

The fact that he was permitted to hold such an important position for such a long time is the severest indictment that could be made of the Southern domination of Congress, a domination that has been narrow and sectional and against the best interests of the United States. He has been out of touch with the patriotic sentiment of the Nation and has not even been able to work in harmony with the members of his own party. But he came from the South and that was sufficietnt to cover up his deficiencies in the eyes of the Democratic majority in Congress and with this administration which has been just as narrow and sectional as its leader and spokesman. For many long months the great business interests of the Nation, and men who represent the bone and sinew of the country, have been compelled to abide by the narrow conceptions of statesmanship represented by the gentleman from Scotland Neck. Those parts of the country which have supplied the men and the money and the materials for carrying on the war will be delighted with the announcement of this abdication. They hope it will mean a new and broader era in Congress for that is what the people wanted when they relegated a majority of the members of the present Congress into obscurity.

Champ Clark, who is to become the minority leader in the next Congress, does not inspire any particular confidence among the people, but he will be comparatively harmless, because after all, he will be the spokesman of a minority. It is to be honed that the Republicans, in the selection of a Speaker and of a floor leader, will choose men of broad calibre and of undoubted loyalty. We are sick and tired of the other kind. Needless to say, anyone will be an improvement over the man from the backwoods of North Carolina, but that will not be enough. We should have a firstclass leadership and the kind that will appeal to the good sense of the American people.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

SAVE THE FOOD

The signing of the armistice between the Germans and the Allies will not add a pound of food to the world's supply, but it will add millions of the half-starved people of the reconquered countries to eat at the "Common Table" of the Allies.

For this reason conservation of food is now and even more vital duty than it has been in the past. It will be probably many months before all food control in this country can be dispensed with and in the mean time the people of a starving world look to the United States for aid.

They must not look in vain. All waste must be eliminated from our home tables if we are to perform this great duty to humanity. Therefore the necessity of saving every possible bit of food is still with us, as never before.

Before the armistice was signed our Government had undertaken to send to Europe 17,500,000 tons of food stuffs a quantity which exceeds by a good deal that of last year. Now comes the rather great addition for it is estimated that fully 7,500,000 additional tons will be required for the starving people of Austria, Bulgaria and Turkey and the total may possibly rise to 25,000,000 tons.

These are staggering figures but it represents a duty which the people of the United States must perform and no one should think that we can return to pre-war food conditions for at least two years. Changes may be made in the food regulations but there cannot possibly be any change for a long time in the policy of the utmost conservation in food.

BUTTING IN

Our Democratic friends are taking a great deal of interest in the organization of the next Congress and are offering suggestions as to this and that, and as to who should be selected for committee chairmanships and other important posts within the gift of our national representative bodies.

As the Democrats asked no advice from the Republicans when they organized both the Senate and House, making a botch of both jobs, why should the party about to come into power in our national lawmaking bodies receive such suggestions from the Democrats.

The Republicans have always been capable of taking good care of all measures placed in their hands, even to the organizing of Congress, and when they organize the 66th Congress no doubt they will do so in a manner to guarantee to the people the best interests of the country. The Democrats now passing from power gave us some men in charge of most important committees who did not even measure up as "near" statesmen, but who were pushed into power simply because their southern constituency had kept them in Congress for so many years. The next Congress may not be able to accomplish a great deal, but one thing is sure we will have no more sectional legislation for some time to come.

WHO IS HAYS?

Six months ago a lot of experienced politicians were asking: "Who is this man Hays?" They know now, says the Obama Bee. He is a live wire, carrying a tremendous voltage and discharging his revivifying currents in all directions. He was set the task of reuniting the Republican party of the nation of smoothing out a lot of wrinkles, settling factional disputes and getting the forces of the party organized for victory. How persistently and energetically he worked no one can say better than those wheel horses of the party who know what a mountain of labor he had. But there is something about Hays that inspires confidence and not only in the man himself, but in his plans. His enthusiasm caught up others, and the rank and file of the party responded to his call. When the President proposed that partisanship be made a test of loyalty Mr. Hays answered: "Mr. Wilson forces the Republican party to lie down or fight. I say fight. Answer with your votes." He got his answer in an overwhelming Republican victory. Chairman Hays has made good.

DID THEY?

One may wonder whether those German women who are appealing to President Wilson for food for their country ever expressed any sympathy for the people of Belgium and Northern France deprived of food by the invader, and whether they ever took steps to organize relief for those unfortunates and for the equally inflicted resident of Poland, Russia and Rumania, asks the Philadelphia Record. It is because of Germany's heartless indifference to the sufferings of many millions of persons, stricken by famine that its own plea comes with such bad grace. Its brutality is reacting upon itself in a way it could never have imagined.

Already the United States is sending food to Austria, in order to relieve the people of that distressed country. At the same time supplies for France and Belgium were sent on the way. Thus you see nole Sam is distributing his bounty with an impartial hand.

An exchange says that the condition of a wounded American soldier rescued from the Germans suggests that when we get the Kaiser his bad arm should be lopped off with a cleaver and the stump bandaged with dirty paped. Why not remove his good arm?

EXPECT HARD GAME WITH MONONGAHELA

Friday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, on Island park the Charlero High school football team will meet their old-time rivals, Monongahela in what is expected to be one of the most interesting games of the season. It has been several years since these two teams met, athletic relations having been broken off between these teams because of certain disagreements, but these differences have been settled and once more the gladiators of the two towns are to meet.

Monongahela is reported to have quite a husky team and as they have always given Charleroi some tough battles on the gridiron, they are likely coming tomorrow prepared to defeat our local champions, if it is possible for them to do so.

Charleroi will be without the services of Capt. Weaver, who was badly injured in the Johnstown game, making it impossible for him to play. Otherwise the line-up of the local team will be the same as it was against Johnstown last week.

Officials selected so far for the game are, Crolius, referee, and "Red" Carlson, umpire.

FIGURES SHOW COST OF CRIMINALS IN WASHINGTON CO.

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maintenance of inmates in penal institutions. The figures are: Bedford $2,635.82; Cambria, $57,077.04; Clearfield, $16,229.21; Fayette, $58,436.60; Greene, $2,486.34; Indiana, $14,407.63 Somerset, $18,083.40; Washington, $55,886.44; Westmoreland, $79,868.39.

CANDIDATE FILES HIS EXPENSE ACCOUNT

George T. Walker, elected to the state assembly, spent $278.50 according to his expense account just filed. He gave $250 to the Republican county committee. The balance was for traveling expense, printing, etc.

BROWNSVILLE HARD HIT BY INFLUENZA

Brownsville, which for a time was missed by the influenza, is experiencing an epidemic of the trouble at the present time. It is estimated that up to the present time at least 200 deaths have been caused by this malady and there is some talk of isolating the twin towns of Brownsville and South Brownsville.

Some one wants to know if Germany will have representation at the peace table. Why should she? A criminal arrested and tried is not permitted to say what his punishment will be. The court attends to that feature of the trial.

Will Germany change its national anthem, now that the Rhine valley is to be occupied by other than German soldiers? For years "Die Wacht am Rhein" was the rallying cry of the Kaiser and his cohorts; what will they adopt now?

Donora, with a quota of $20,000 for the United War Work Campaign put on a spurt and made it $112,000. That is going some. Likewise it will assist materially in putting the county over the top in this big drive.

Germany is squealing about the terms of the armistice now, but just wait until they get the peace terms.

Brazil Now Coffee Center.

Arabia formerly supplied the world with coffee; later the West Indies, and then Java took the lead, to be supplanted in turn by Brazil, which now produces about three-quarters of the world's supply and controls the market.

Surely Not Bump of Knowledge.

O'Brien met Flanagan and noticed he had a big lump on his forehead. "Hello," said O'Brien, "is that a bump of knowledge?" "Indeed, it's not," said Flanagan. "It's a bump of ignorance of knowing-nothing about boxing."

Sable Philosopher.

De hymn tells you 'bout bein' "in heaven a thousand years," but dar's some folks what couldn't stand sich long-time prosperity.—Atlanta Constitution.

Optimistic Thought.

We must calculate not on the weather, nor on fortune, but upon God and ourselves.

Friendship of the Trees.

[illegible] in the parks or country woods can [illegible] in the companionship. They are great for the mind of the [illegible] many ways. [illegible] with those that [illegible] you? [illegible] the [illegible] or business. If things look [illegible] and more sense of [illegible] gives one just such a feeling of friendliness. If one loves the trees he feels a kind of personality in them. Is your mood joyful or sentimental? There are trees that respond to this mood. Do you feel the need of relaxation or of protection? There are trees that seem, if one can understand them to fulfill these needs. One does not need to be a botanist in order to be on friendly terms with trees. When one is tired, or lonely, or anxious, to come upon a tree that one knows, that can speak to the soul, is like meeting with a friend. There is, therefore one, [illegible] can truly [illegible] use through acquaintance or indeed [illegible] a companionship [illegible] friendship to be [illegible] in their companionship. One should not wonder at those who ascribe a living spirit to things in nature. If something spiritual can be seen in a stone, how much more in a living tree? If you do not know the trees that you see, take time to make their acquaintance. To know them is to love them. There are trees to respond to one's every mood. They will be found true and lovable friends.—Milwaukee Journal.

Destructive Tapestry Moth.

The tapestry moth is rare in the United States. It normally affects rather coarser and heavier cloths than the smaller species and is more apt to occur in carpets, horse blankets and tapestries than in the finer and thinner woolen fabrics. It also affects felting, furs and skins, and is a common source of damage to the woolen upholstering of carriages, being rather more likely to occur in carriage houses and barns than in dwelling houses. Its larva enters directly into the material which it infests, constructing burrows or galleries, which it lines more or less completely with silk. Within these galleries it is protected and concealed during its larval life, and later undergoes its transformations without other protection than that afforded by the gallery. The damage is due as much or more to its burrowing than to the actual amount of the material consumed for food.

Liberty-Loving Aleuts.

The Aleutian Islands, which extend in a chain east and west for more than a thousand miles, are inhabited by the remnants of the Aleuts. Their war of revolution closed about the time the American Revolutionary war began. So persistent were the Aleuts in their struggle for independence that they succumbed to the Russians only after a conflict of nearly fifty years, and then chiefly because the race was well-nigh exterminated in the struggle. While the Aleutian islands must eventually form an important link in the commerce between the United States and the Orient, other islands link our country with the great empire to the north. In the narrow Bering strait lie two little islands, one occupied by Russia, the other by the United States, so that citizens of the two great nations live on respective islands within a few miles of each other.

Cat Mothered Chicks.

There is an authentic story of a male and a female cat in France that lived on terms of perfect amity with all the animals on the place—dogs, chickens and what not. It so happened that a hen which had a brood of seven chickens was killed accidentally. The cat, which some two weeks before had been deprived of her kittens, appeared to observe the predicament of the seven little chickens. She crawled into their nest, and the chickens, looking for warmth, nestled into her warm fur, peeping gratefully. The chickens, fed by their owner, throve perfectly, and every day the strange sight was presented of their following the mother cat about the premises, as if expecting her to find them food after the manner of a hen.

Drinking Song Inspiration.

That most celebrated of drinking songs, "We Won't Go Home Till Morning," found its inspiration in war. The air was composed by an unknown French soldier after the battle of Malplaquet, which was fought in 1709. The French troops suffered severely in the battle and when night came a cold, drizzling rain and a shortage of food added to their discomfort. The trooper-composer wrote the song on a drumhead, and it was designed to cheer his unhappy comrades. It immediately attained popularity and spread all over France, and thence to England and America.

Her Favorite Hate.

The schoolchildren were requested by their teacher to bring a contribution from home for a Christmas box to be given to poor children. Louise brought the message to her mother and accompanied her to the cupboard to make a selection from a well-stocked shelf. "Here's a nice can of beans you may take to school, dear," said the mother, choosing at random. The child looked anything but pleased, and did not take the gift, but hunted further along the shelf until, aided by the picture on the label, she found a can of peaches. "Please let me have these mother," she implored. "You know beans are my favorite hate."

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Veal Stew Home Dressed per lb	18c
Lamb Stew " " " "	19c
Pure Lard per lb.	30c
5 lb. Good Luck Butter	$1.90
Good Eggs per doz.	50c
Good Oleo per lb.	30c

Specials For Week

Brookfield Creamery Butter per lb.	62c
Country Butter per lb.	55c

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WIFE HELD FOR HUSBAND'S DEATH

In an inquest held on Wednesday at Marianna Mrs. Ophelia Hatfield was held for the death of her husband James S. Hatfield, found dead in bed recently with a rifle bullet wound in his head. A daughter, Miss Sarah Hatfield was held as a witness. The mother and daughter have both been held. The daughter was taken to the inquest as was the principal witness, after which she was returned to jail.

About all that developed was that the father and mother had a quarrel over some money matters and had some trouble the day prior to the death of Hatfield He was shot some time during the night, and the rifle was found in the house the next day It was also brought out that the mother had threatened to kill her husband. Three other of the children of the family, in addition to the daughter, have been in jail and probably will be put in the Children's Home. An older son was taken by a brother of Mrs. Hatfield.

WANTS KEYSTONE BOYS TO LAND AT PHILA

Governor Martin G. Brumbaugh has written to the War Department, and Gen. March, chief of staff, urging that the Pennsylvania troops be brought from Europe by way of Philadelphia. The Governor said it is the unanimous wish that the Pennsylvanians be landed, if possible at Philadelphia, where a most fitting and cordial welcome will be accorded them."

BOYS HOME FROM CAMP NEXT WEEK

Announcement was made from Camp Sherman on Wednesday that men now in service at that cantonment will be discharged and sent to their homes beginning on Saturday next. Ohio troops will be the first discharged, while on the 26th men from Washington county and other parts of Pennsylvania will be discharged on the 26th.

FEDERAL EMPLOYES WILL ASK INCREASE

Federal Employes Union No. 65 of Pittsburg, is taking an active interest in a movement for an increase in the pay for all civilian government workers, which will be proposed at the next session of Congress. The necessary legislation to provide an increase of $1 a day will be offered as soon as Congress convenes The request will be based on the mounting high cost of living.

The next Watch on the Rhine will not bemade in Germany. It will have a khaki cover and a mechanism geared for an emergency.

Resolutions of Condolence.

At a regular meeting of Branch 78 L. C. B. A. held Wednesday evening the following resolutions were adopted on the death of sisters Nellie Kohl, Nellie Oates and Lena Stopp Poramba:

Whereas, Almighty God in his supreme wisdom has seen fit to call to his heavenly kingdom three of our beloved sisters and

Whereas, we bow in humble submission to God's holy will and pray that he will comfort the loved ones left to mourn the loss.

Resolved, that we the members of Branch 82 extend to the families of our deceased sisters our sincere sympathy in this their hour of great sorrow and pray that our dear Lord may lighten the burden and throw sunshine in the path which now seems so dark. A copy of thes resolutions to be sent to the bereaved families, spread upon the records of our Branch, and published in the Charleroi Mail. Our charter to be draped and a Memorial Mass said for the repose of their souls.

Anna M. Sullivan,
Mrs. B. McBride,
Mrs. T. Connolly,
Committee.
144-t1

Card of Thanks.

I desire through this method to extend my sincere thanks and appreciation of the many kindness shown and the sympathy expressed during my time of sorrow, the death of my wife. Especially do I wish to thank my neighbors, fraternal orders and those who sent floral tributes.

George Kohl.
144-t1-p

COUNTY IS OVER IN WAR FUND DRIVE

The United War Work Campaign came to a close in Washington county at midnight Wednesday. The total subscriptions aggregated something over $400 000, the county's quota being $350 000. The figures put the county on the honor roll, although members of the general committee had expected a larger subscription The towns went over their quotas with but few exceptions, the townships, however failing to meet the expectations of those in charge of the campaign.

This latter feature is due very largely to the fact that in many instances the subscriptions of miners who work in Washington county were taken charge of by the owners, and theamounts subscribed credited to Allegheny county and Pittsburg, to whom it did not rightfully belong. The general committee had this phase of the situation before them before and during the campaign, and tried to have due credit given to localities in which the mines were located, but the necessary arrangements could not be made and the credits were taken by the Pittsburg offices.

The fund already reported will be increased by other returns that are to come in, as quite a number of places have not yet reported to the committee of the area in which they are located.

LT. COLONEL MARTIN HAS RETURNED HOME

Lieutenant Colonel Edward Martin of the 110th Infantry, arrived in New York on Wednesday morning from France. Col Martin's home is in Waynesburg and immediately upon his arrival called his wife over the phone. He left his regiment on the 8th of November and it is understood he was sent home for special work. Owing to the signing of the armistice the government may change his plans, but he did not know just wha he would do. He hopes to spend a few days in Waynesburg before going to his new assignment.

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MANY PATIENTS ARE DISCHARGED

The emergency hospital report this morning showed that 170 patients had been admitted since the hospital had been established, of whom 105 had been discharged as cured, one transferred, and 22 deaths. Three patients were admitted on Wednesday and two died, both of them being male patients from Dunlevy On Wednesday 16 were discharged, leaving 44 patients in the hospital this morning.

The most encouraging feature of the report is the fact that while 16 were discharged on Wednesday, only three new ones were admitted This fact might be an indication that the intensity of the epidemic had passed its zenith and that from now on it may rapidly decrease.

Miss Flo Taylor of East End Pittsburg was visiting at the home of Miss Castor.

For years the German officers toasted "Der Tag." Well, it's here, but they don't seem to be pleased with it.

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WANTED—Girl for housework. Apply 328 Washington avenue. 141-tf

WANTED—Woman to do washing. Inquire Rosenbloom's McKean avenue 1 44-t2

WANTED—Girl for general housework. Inquire at 400 Washington avenue. 1 44-t3

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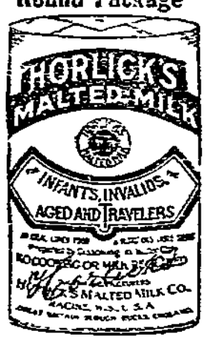

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THOUGHT HE WAS DIPLOMATIC

But Father of Rookie Couldn't Just See Point About His Son's "Financial Condition."

The other day a rookie, just out of college, married a girl who lived in the town where his company was in training. The young man knew he must inform his family of the event, and also that he must do it in the most soothing way possible.

"Dear dad," he wrote, "I always thought that when I married I would choose a girl who could support herself if necessary, and then if anything would ever happen to me, you wouldn't have to be burdened with her. Now, Marion is that kind of a girl. She knows all about my financial condition and—"

But when father read the letter, he paused here to reread it. "Financial condition," he snorted. "That young cub hasn't any financial condition. Why, he doesn't own the clothes on his back. Nor did he ever own them. Financial condition—well, I'll be hanged!"

Another rookie had likewise married a girl who was a stranger to his mother, who boasts of Irish descent. He, too, wrote home—a letter to mother. "I have told Frances all about my family, so that now she feels that she really knows you. So I'm going to tell you all about her. She is now an orphan, but when her father was alive he was a big railroad man."

Her mother commented to the rest of the family. "Don't be excited by that," she advised them. "Your father and I used to know a very fat fireman."

REQUISITE HOURS OF SLEEP

Acknowledged Fact That Brain Workers Need Less Than Those Engaged in Manual Labor.

Periodic sleeping is undeniably an essential to the continuance of life, but sleep is required more as a means of recuperation from physical weariness than from mental activity, an exchange observes. The best thinkers are the shortest sleepers, and on the other hand the manual laborers require the longest periods of sleep. The classic example cited to prove that the thinker does not need as much sleep as the ordinary man takes is Thomas A. Edison, who during the most active years of his life is said to have slept only four hours a day. It is not so generally known that Herbert Spencer, the philosopher, in his later life did not average more than three hours of sleep a day.

These instances should not lead to ill-advised efforts to emulate the extreme examples. One should not attempt to do better thinking by keeping longer awake, but the effort should be made to do better thinking, which will result in keeping longer awake. For if the body be not fatigued or drugged with poison, sleep comes chiefly from the slowing down of the mental processes until consciousness lapses. If an adult is not tired or full of fatigue poisons from physical labor, or if his system is not otherwise burdened with poisons from faulty diet or overeating it is possible in many instances to cut down the sleeping period from 20 to 40 per cent of that commonly indulged in.

Prussian Guard Long Famous.

The history of the Prussian Guard, cream of Germany's fighting men, which was smashed by the headlong attack of American troops at the Second Battle of the Marne, dates back to the latter part of the Seventeenth Century, when men believed in the divine rights of kings, and the troops of the guard could be depended on to protect the sacred body of their sovereign when all other supporters fell away.

The Prussian Guard was once a company of archers, known as the Trabant Guards. It was transformed into a real fighting force by Frederick William I. Drill with him was a ruling passion and he lavished much attention on his guard; scouring Europe for giants, as no man under six feet in height could enter his pet regiment. This requirement was abolished by Frederick the Great, who cared only for fighting ability. The stirring example of Napoleon's Imperial Guard caused the Prussian organization to be increased in size, and it now comprises a complete army corps. Into its ranks go the cream of each year's class of Prussian recruits.

Salvaging a Ship Sunk 100 Years.

Work has been started off Boca Ciega (Cojimar) by a Cuban salvage company on the wreck of a Spanish vessel sunk more than a hundred years ago. The principal objects that the company expects to recover are forty-two cannons, which, according to the divers who performed the preliminary exploration work, are still in a fine state of preservation, some mounted on the deck and the others lying close to the wreck on the floor of the sea at a moderate depth which renders their extraction only ordinarily difficult.

Brand-New Fish Story.

Deep-sea fishermen report they recently saw a floating island in the gulf stream off Palm Beach, Fla. The island was about twenty-five feet in diameter, and the fishermen say it was composed of marl and muck, held together by tangled roots and rotted seaweed; that there were several trees and mangrove sprouts growing luxuriantly on the island. The fishermen landed on the island and found thousands of small fish on it, which sea birds were greedily eating.

Labor-Saving Penholder.

To conserve his time a man whose monthly duty it is to sign 100,000 salary checks for a railway company employs a multiple penholder that permits his signature to be written five times in one operation. The apparatus, says Popular Mechanics Magazine, differs from some others in that the fountain pens are clamped to a pivoted rack that is mounted in a portable box resembling a suitcase. The cover, when opened flat on the desk top, holds a frame in which the vouchers are placed for signing.

"Parsec" Is a Long, Long Way.

A "parsec" is a distance that the most zealous pedestrian would hardly care to walk before breakfast. In fact, it doesn't enter into the sphere of human operations at all, but it is a handy unit in astronomy. It is equal to 20,000,000,000,000 miles and is the distance traveled by light in 3.3 years. A few of the nearest stars are from one to five parsecs distant from us, but most of the stars that dot the sky are scores or hundreds of parsecs away.

Then and Now.

"Thirty years ago," said the man who had traveled to the end of the earth and most of the way back, "I started out, alone, unaided, without friends to help me along, with the intention of making the world pay me the living that it owes me. My only allies were a dollar bill and a determination to make a million more. Today (and he threw out his chest proudly) I still have the determination and fifty cents in change."

Crab's Keen Watch for Enemies.

The fiddler crabs of the Philippines have remarkably sharp eyes, and may be seen standing for perhaps fifteen minutes at a time quite still, scanning the landscape for signs of their chief enemies—snakes, skunks, frogs, toads and fishes. Noise will not disturb them, but they beat a hasty retreat home if anything moves near, or boldly stand and frantically wave the big claw, being particularly angry if a lady crab comes near.

"Colonel" Is a Column Leader.

The Spanish for colonel is coronel, the Italian colonello. The Spaniards originated the word 400 years ago and seem to have made it by combining the sense of the Latin columna, a column, with that of corona, a crown. We follow the French spelling, but in pronouncing we retain the Spanish "r," hence "kernel," as we say it. Literally it means the leader of a column or of the company at the head of the regiment in column.

Cold-Water Cure.

If our eyes are in good order we may keep them so by opening them under cold water every morning when we wash, but cold water is for strong eyes; weak ones should use it tepid, with a little boracic powder dissolved therein. Keep your boracic solution ready mixed in a bottle, then you won't have to make it up every day.

Long Wars of the Past.

A review of history shows that all the most momentous clashes of arms have resulted in long wars. In the middle ages England waged an intermittent conflict with France known as the Hundred Years war; while the corresponding conflict between England and Scotland may be said to have been a five-century one.

No Crime to Stifle Yawn.

The office boy says he has no record of any law having been enacted making it a crime to stifle a yawn. "You may have in mind the case of Macbeth, who, as you will recall, created a sensation in the newspapers of his time by murdering sleep.—Indianapolis Star.

Liberty Before All Things.

Blandishments will not fascinate us, nor will threats of a halter intimidate us; for, under God, we are determined that, whatsoever, whensoever or howsoever we shall be called to make our exit, we will die free men.—Josiah Quincy.

Another Paradox.

"I have noticed in my little journeys from bedtime to bedtime," said the almost philosopher, "that the fellow who prides himself on being blunt in his speech can ask some very pointed questions."

Good Reasons for Talking.

John talked continually, so one day his mother losing patience said: "I do wish you would keep still. What makes you talk so much all the time?" He answered quickly: "I's got to talk so I won't forget what I think."

Justice Leads to Love.

Do justice to your brother (you can do that, whether you love him or not), and you will come to love him.—Ruskin.

How It Is Done.

When a woman is content to grow old gracefully, she usually does it gracefully.

Optimistic Thought.

When one science is learned others become easy.

Defective Camouflage.

"Teacher" had gone to the movies with a bachelor who chose young associates as a sort of camouflage for his own age. The next morning she received the following greeting from one of her pupils: "Oh, teacher I saw you at the show last night. Was that your papa with you?"

When Soft Answer Doesn't "Go."

A soft answer turns away wrath except when little Willie's schoolteacher asks Willie what he has in his desk that is causing so much amusement and little Willie's answer is so soft the teacher doesn't understand the first time. There is very little wrath turned away in this case.

Would Return It.

It was a very hot day and the kind-hearted iceman had given a little girl a piece of ice. A newsboy asked her for it, but she refused to give it up. "Aw shucks!" said the boy. "I'll give it back to you—I only want the juice out of it."—Boston Transcript.

Aside from the autumnal equinox, September each year is marked by another astronomical event of considerable interest, namely, the so-called harvest moon, it being the full moon nearest the autumnal equinox. The harvest moon rises at nearly the same time for several successive evenings instead of nearly an hour later from night to night, as is usually the case, and it is from this continuous run of bright moonlight nights that this moon is said to derive its name, farmers as a rule taking advantage of the extra light to gather in their late summer crops and store them away for the winter.

Illustrates Red Cross Needs.

Twenty thousand dozen pillow cases, 11,000 dozen pairs of bed socks and 19,000 dozen face towels, just reported as being on hand at one American Red Cross supply house in France, gives an idea of the size of the stocks maintained by the organization.

Thoughtful Uncle.

"I write for the few," declared the amateur poet.

"And a good idea, too, declared his grouchy uncle: "the fewer the better."—Kansas City Journal.

DAZED BY HUN ATROCITIES

Emotional Faculties of Afflicted Belgians Probably Paralyzed by the Horrors They Had Witnessed.

Mr. Brand Whitlock, former American minister to Belgium, has been talking about the horror of Louvain in the London Daily Telegraph:

"I was struck by the lack of passion displayed by all those who had so terribly suffered. I seldom heard any of them express hatred of the Germans or any desire for revenge.

"None of them, as far as I could learn or observe, even acted in the tragic manner. There were no heroics and no histrionics; they did not even demean themselves as do people in the cinema or the romantic novels. . . .

"In moments of great danger, or great strain and tragedy, people are simple and natural; they do not act in the theatrical sense of the word."

To say that a play could be acted without gesture or other expression of what we feel is absurd. Nor would I think history support Mr. Brand Whitlock's inference, whatever may have been the story of unhappy Belgium.

When Mme. du Barry died upon the scaffold in Paris, her shrieks delighted the knitting women. The Duc de Guise ran wildly from his assassins to throw himself at the feet of Henry of France. Pitt wept for his country's misfortunes—the family of the ill-fated Louis XVI did not cease their lamentations all night when they heard that he was to be guillotined at dawn.

The choler of Judge Jeffreys found expression in the ravings and rantings of a madman. Boabdil wept when he was driven from Granada. Henry VIII could swear like a fishwife—Catherine Howard shrieked at Hampton court, and the superstitious hear her shrieks to this day.

In my view, the unhappy Belgians were dazed by the very horror of the circumstance. The atrocities committed by the Hun were too awful. Shall we wonder if the emotional faculties were paralyzed?—London Dispatch.

Wants to Get Even.

"When a lazy man has to work," said Uncle Eben, "de first job he wants is dat of a policeman to keep other folks f'um violatin' antiloafin' laws."

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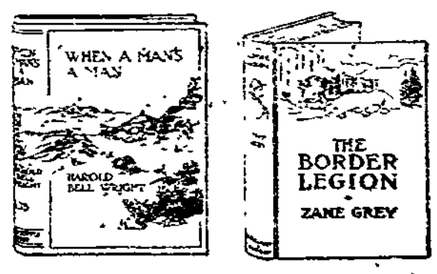

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